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Faith and the Bible

BY REV. L. P. ADAMS

*"There's just one Book!" cried the dying sage;
"Read me the old, old story."
And the winged words that can never age
Wafted him home to glory.*

There's just one Book!

*There's just one Book for the tender years—
The Book alone for guiding
The little feet through joys and fears
That unknown days are hiding.*

There's just one Book!

*There's just one Book for the bridal hour—
One Book of love's own coining.
Its truths divine hold beauty and love
To vows that lives are joining.*

There's just one Book!

*There's one Book for life's gladness—
One Book for the toilsome days;
One Book that can cure for life's madness;
One Book that can voice life's praise.*

There's just one Book!

*There's just one Book for the dying—
One Book for the starting tears
And one for the soul that's flying
Home for the measureless years.*

There's just one Book!

THE GROUND OF



"FOR AS THE BODY WITHOUT THE SPIRIT IS DEAD, SO FAITH
WITHOUT WORKS IS DEAD ALSO," James 2:26.

THE
PILLAR

THE
TRUTH

EPH. 2:20

TIM. 3:15

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NOTICES

From the Field

There will be a Y. P. E. state convention held Aug. 9-11 at Corona, Calif. Services will begin Friday evening. Everyone is invited. Come and bring special music and singers. We are looking for a wonderful time in the Lord. — Elmer Boyd, state Y. P. E. president of California, 4305 Morton Rd., Lynwood, California.

To whom it may concern: I must have looked at the June calendar instead of July when I announced the Canadian convention to run from Thursday night throughout the following Sunday night and the date I set would bring the convention to begin on Saturday. The date is changed to July 18-21.—M. L. Lowe, provincial overseer, Harlowton, Montana.

We wish to remind everyone that the Texas camp meeting will convene August 5-11 in the big tabernacle just off north Main Street, in Weatherford, Texas. Everyone is cordially invited to attend this great annual feast. Those who have attended know what we mean. Brother R. P. Johnson, Assistant General Overseer, will be the night evangelist, and you will not want to miss the messages of this great preacher, that will be an inspiration to all who are present. We do not feel that we can furnish free entertainment to any except the workers who have been invited by the management, but we have quite a bit of free camping space, and rooms and tourists camps can be obtained at reasonable rates. There will be a cafe on the ground where meals can be obtained at reasonable prices.

Pastors, please do not neglect your mission offering, but let everyone come on with full quota, and then some more. We hope the L. W. W. B. will think of the orphans and have something for them. We know that many look forward to the blessings of this camp meeting, so begin your plans now to be on hand for the first service.

We sincerely hope our General Overseer can be with us, anyway for the last part of camp meeting. Everyone pray earnestly that God will be present in a great way, and many souls will find the Lord.—H. N. Scoggins, state overseer.

The Alabama camp meeting will convene at the tabernacle at Sumiton, Ala., beginning the 18th of July and continuing ten days. We are expecting a great time in the Lord. We extend a cordial invitation to all to come and be with us. Ministers, singers, musicians, workers, we

need your help in this fight for the Lord. Brother R. P. Johnson will be with us through the state convention, from the 25th through the 28th. We also will have the Editor and Publisher, Brother E. L. Simmons, with us part of the time. We are expecting other visiting ministers also. We send a special invitation to all the former overseers and ministers who have worked in this state to pay us a visit at this time. We are looking for all of the home boys and girls, ministers and singers to be there the first night. July 14 is prayer day for the camp meeting. We must have God and the heavenly host with us, so make the 14th a day of prayer to this end, that God may have right of way and that there will be a large gathering of souls, because time is swiftly passing when the night cometh and no man can work.

Ministers, we are counting on you having your church over the top 100%. The district conventions have been good, the Lord has blessed us, we have come over the top so far in our mission drive, and let us be 100 per centers in camp meeting.

We are depending on the loyalty of God's people. Every one do your best and the Lord will be pleased and we will be blessed and happy with that consolation that we did our best.—H. L. Chesser, overseer of Alabama, 1445 Tuscaloosa Ave., Birmingham, Ala.

The Kansas state meeting will be held at the Pittsburg church July 26-28, beginning at 7:30 Friday evening. We will be glad if all the folks in the state will come and bring a good offering. We want to be one hundred per cent on this.—M. H. Durbin, district pastor.

Needs Prayer

FORREST CITY, Ark.—Dear Evangel Readers: While sorting and burning unwanted papers and books, I found three Evangelists that God had led someone to put in my way. I have read them over and over. I don't tire of reading them. I am saved and have been for years but for the last few years I have been searching for more. I haven't received it. I am a Baptist; I feel there there is something I should do for the Lord.

I ask an interest in your prayers for power from on high to be what the Lord wants me to be and do what He wants me to do. I am sick and have been for three years. I am up but not able to even do my housework. I have been treated by different doctors. Some say I have gastulas, some rheumatism, some pellagra. I have spent all I can get for medicine. I am tired of taking medicine. I have prayed and asked others to pray for me. The Lord doesn't seem to answer my prayers as He used to. That is why I am asking prayer for more power. Also pray that I will be healed and made whole. Please pray now for me; I need the Lord now. I hope to feel the effect of your prayers at once. Pray for my children that they may be saved. Pray for my son in the navy; pray for my sick son in St. Louis and my sick mother in Chicago. Pray for my husband also. I am a poor woman and have no money to send now. Thank you for your prayers.—Mrs. Hattie Lynn (colored), Rt. 2, Box 42.

Educating the heathen is good, and praying for the heathen is fine, but this does not pay our debt to God nor to the heathen.

ARKANSAS STATE PARSONAGE



This beautiful building is located at 4618 29th Street, Little Rock, Arkansas. Brother Wilma Henry, state overseer of Arkansas, and family are in the foreground.

... The Kingdom ...

BY J. R. THOMAS

It seems to me as if the kingdom of God and of Christ is a subject which is the most misunderstood of any subject in the Bible.

Let us look into this subject from a Bible standpoint. First, let us notice that when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea the question was asked, "Where is he that is born King of the Jews?" Matt. 2: 2.

When John the Baptist began to preach his message was, "Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." John meant by this that the King who would soon make His appearance was from heaven. When Jesus began to preach His message was, "Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand," Matt. 5:17. The King was already here right among them, but they did not know Him nor recognize Him as their king. He told the Pharisees at one time, "The kingdom of God is within you," Luke 17: 21. When He said, "The kingdom of God is within you," He certainly did not mean in their hearts as some have taught, but in their midst. The King was there in their midst or among them, if they had accepted Him as king, but they did not, they rejected Him. When He was crucified and went back to heaven He took this kingship with Him.

Following this the Church age came in. At the close of the Church age and tribulation period Christ will come on the scene, known as "King of kings, and Lord of lords," Rev. 19:16. At this period He will conquer His enemies and take charge of the land and sea. Let us bear in mind that the overcoming saints, who previously went in the rapture to meet Him, will come to earth with Him. Beginning with this Christ and His overcoming people will reign for one thousand years. Rev. 20:4.

The question comes in the minds of many people, Will this reign be, as some teach it, up in the air? We will let the Bible answer it. "And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth," Rev. 5:10. Many ask the question, How do we get into the kingdom? This all depends on what period of the kingdom we refer to. The righteous nations, which are not all destroyed at the close of the Antichrist reign, will

automatically enter the thousand years' reign. The overcoming saints will reign with Christ over these nations because they have been overcomers and faithful in all things.

There will be thousands here on earth, during the thousand years' reign of Christ, with iniquity in their hearts, but they will be forced to do right because Christ is King over all the earth at this



J. R. THOMAS

Brother Thomas was born Dec. 5, 1895 in Tennessee and departed this life July 1, 1940 at Tucson, Ariz.

He was ordained deacon of the Church of God at Bell Town, Tenn., Aug. 20, 1920, at the age of twenty-four. In 1924 he was promoted to the office of Bishop. He served the Church as pastor of some of the largest churches, as district overseer, and for three years as state overseer of Illinois. He made a great success in his ministry in whatever place he was assigned.

His last few months were months of suffering in the quiet West where he had gone, thinking possibly the change would help him to recover.

His family has the sympathy of the entire Church.—Editor.

time. There is a period of time on beyond the thousand years' reign especially known as the kingdom of God. At the time Christ delivers up the kingdom to God the Father, He will remove all iniquity from the kingdom. "The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father," Matt. 13:41-43. I imagine I can

hear some say, Will Christ deliver up the kingdom to God the Father? Let us see what Paul has to say about this. "Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power," 1 Cor. 15:24. The end referred to in the above scripture is the end of Christ's reign. The 24th verse of the same chapter will prove to you that death is not destroyed until the close of the reign of Christ. At this time all sin, iniquity, death and every unpleasant thing will be removed. This is that glorious time known as the kingdom of God. This is the time Paul tells us about, "that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God," 1 Cor. 15:50.

Doubters, this is a period of the kingdom that Jesus told Nicodemus about when He said, "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God," St. John 3:3. This could not apply to the thousand years' reign for the fact that we know there will be thousands who will enter out into the thousand years' reign who have never been born again. Being born again will not cause us to enter the kingdom of God, if we fail God after we have received this blessing. Paul said, "We must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God," Acts 14:22. Paul was talking to the saints and he told them how to get into the kingdom. They were not in the kingdom but looking forward to the time when they could enter. Let us strive through whatever comes with the same hope.

WATCHMAN, WHAT OF THE NIGHT?

RETA M. FLOWERS

Ezekiel 3:17. In this passage of scripture we find God telling Ezekiel, "I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel: therefore hear the word of my mouth, and give them warning from me." God in His exhortation to Ezekiel tells him to warn the wicked to flee from their wickedness and for the righteous to turn not from his righteousness. God said if you warn them and they heed you not then you have delivered your soul.

All through the ages God has called watchmen to watch over His people. I wonder how many are watching over the spiritual city "Jerusalem" today? It is very obvious to see that many are sleeping and slumbering and loving to slum-

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The Gift of Peace

LONG has mankind thought and looked forward to a time of peace, a time of restfulness and contentment without any disturbance or anything to mar a life of satisfaction. With this thought in mind men have studied and labored to bring about a peace of nations by the signing of treaties and pacts but after having done all that diplomatic geniuses could do, and putting forth every plan that great minds could think out, it seems that all Utopian dreams are shattered, these treaties scrapped, and peace pacts abrogated. The question is often asked among people, "Is this the time spoken of that it shall be said, Peace, peace, when there is no peace? and is this the fulfillment of 1 Thess. 5:3, 'For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape?'" It would seem that we are on the verge of the fulfillment of such scriptures and yet when all plans for political, national, and international peace have been shattered it does not remain that there is not a peace that comes as a blessing, as a gift, and extended as a river to the people of God.

Immediately after warning the people in the 5th chapter of 1 Thessalonians against a day when sudden destruction would come upon the people, Paul also said, "Ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief, Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness." So people who are of the day should be at peace and may have the gift of the peace of God in their hearts. One cannot think long of the bloody war being fought in the East, of that which would seem at first glance to challenge our present-day civilization and throw us back into the barbaric ages of heathendom in religion without feeling a resentment. But in the keeping of one's mind centered upon God, drawing them away from the mental throes caused by the unsavory condition brought about by politics, graft and greed, there comes a perfect peace and satisfaction which only the consecrated child of God may know. Yes, the peace of God is a gift, a gift which is not temporary but as far as God is concerned it is everlasting and eternal.

Come and Go

GOD'S come and go signals are just as really flashing today as ever they were in history. It is first necessary that man should come, then it is necessary that he should go.

Jesus says to the sinner in Matt. 11:28, "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest," and again in Isa. 1:18, "Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool." These are invitations to those who have not as yet found the living Redeemer.

But after men have come to Jesus and found Him a real Savior to their souls, it is not the invitation "come" that they then hear for Jesus speaks to them thus, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost," Matt. 28:19. Yes, this is His command to the saved, that they may tell the glad story of salvation to others, that they might tell it in word, on the printed page, in their lives, by Christian living and by contributing their means to send the gospel to the utmost part of the earth.

Everyone cannot go and preach because everyone is not called to preach but everyone can go with his means. Jesus gave no command that is impossible. Some of them perhaps would be impossible without conditions but those conditions were made and the condition that immediately followed the great commission of Jesus was the advent of the Holy Ghost which Jesus had promised to the disciples in the event He went away.

It was a natural consequence that the disciples of Jesus would feel sad after His crucifixion and ascension because He was gone from them, but after He assured them that even though

He was leaving He would come again, He also said, "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in Judaea, and Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth," Acts 1:8. So after commanding His disciples to go Jesus did not leave them powerless to go but sent the Holy Ghost as a comforter and consoler, yet, with power to help them to carry out that commission that He (Jesus) had given. Thus man was given the *commission* to go and the *power* to go.

Faith's Bank Note

Phil. 4:19.

Name of banker	MY GOD
Promise to pay	SHALL SUPPLY
The amount	ALL YOUR NEED
Bank capital	ACCORDING TO HIS RICHES
Location of bank	IN GLORY
Name of cashier	BY CHRIST JESUS

Editor's note: With this note at his command, the child of God may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing, for every thing needful is his for the asking.

Religion and God

IT said that in Russia the Christian religion is dead. We are also told that for all practical purposes there is little Christian religion in Germany or those countries which it has preyed upon, but in reality, though religion may be forced out of a country, and even though it be the Christian religion, the God of the Christian religion still lives.

The story is told of the preacher who had become greatly discouraged and was looking for starvation and the poor house when suddenly his wife said, "Cheer up, Philip. Is God dead?" The answer may come loud and strong, "No, God is not dead!" And so it is that regardless of times or conditions or in what place we are located, the God of heaven still lives.

As the end of the age nears, it can be expected that the forces of Satan will work and work harder, looking for their master to be enthroned in the person of antichrist. But it must be remembered that God has promised that "In the evening time there shall be light." The kingdom of God shall not be slowed down in its progress for now is our redemption (the

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Whatsoever He Saith

BY E. R. WALLER

"Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it,"
St. John 2:5.

This is a command to one and all, to you and me and every one, it stands the same. Let us make a personal application of this text. A story is told of a company of friends who were talking, or rather discussing, about what they would do if some of the world's most famous dead were to appear. They decided that if Homer came in they would ask him in which of those seven cities he was actually born. They would ask Shakespeare whether he wrote his own plays or whether Bacon did. Now mind you, they were talking about dead men coming in to their presence. Finally one voiced the thought, "What if Jesus Christ should enter?" Instantly their manner changed. One of the men stammered out, "That would be different. You see if these other two we mentioned should come in we would all rise, but if Jesus were to come in we would all kneel." Let us all recognize the supremacy of Jesus. Now we will group the commands of Jesus under three heads. First,

THE COMMAND TO BE

If Christ be Savior, then He is Savior of all—strong, weak, rich, poor, free, and bondsman. There is one thought that persistently stays in my mind, "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect." Can you reach it, brother? Be not weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. Be not deceived; God is not mocked. Be humble; be prayerful; be true to Christ. Man is ever seeking, striving for power. The old adage says, "Knowledge is power." Man says, "Money is power." But the Bible says, "The gospel is the power of God." Christ had this power from the day John said, "Behold the man." He used this power. He told His disciples, "Follow me." They did without question. He said to demons, "Come out," and they obeyed. He said to Satan, "Get thee behind," and like the coward he is he slunk away. He said to the waves, "Peace, be still," and the winds and waves quit their tossing. He said to sick men and to dead men, "Arise," and they arose. Finally, just a few days before hanging on the cross, He said, "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me," and He is doing it!

The second command of Christ is social,

TO LOVE AND SERVE

The Lord "came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many." He is servant to all, yet He is our Savior. When father,

mother, sister and brother forsake you, then Christ stands ready to lift you up. "By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another." Love is the greatest thing that exists. Do not be afraid of it. Christ loved His disciples to the end and He asked the Father to sanctify them through His truth. Another place He says, "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." It is said that St. John repeated the words "Love one another" until the disciples got weary of it. When he got so feeble he couldn't stand and preach, he sat at the door of the place of worship and whispered the words "Love one another." This is one of His (Christ) commands, "Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it." The third command we wish to speak of is the

COMMAND TO GO

He said, "Go ye into all the world." This is one of the greatest commands (that is, in my own personal opinion). This command has been the means of the greater part of our civilized nations. Let us ask the Lord, "What wilt thou have me to do?" For Paul the answer was the beasts at Ephesus, shipwreck, forty stripes save one, beaten and thrown outside the city; for John the Baptist, the grillstone; for John Huss, a kindled fire; for Livingstone, death in an African hut. Our own dear Brother Edmond Stark also answered the call "Go ye" which ended in death in an African hut. For the pilgrims it meant banishment, exile, a perilous journey over raging seas. It may mean exile to you, loneliness, service in a strange land, but through it all you can keep the face of Jesus before you. He said, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." Let us rest on that promise. "If ye love me keep my commandments." "Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it." Let us answer the call even unto death. If we can only do as Samuel did and say, "Speak, Lord, thy servant heareth!" Amen.

Soddy Moves On

A three weeks' special meeting just closed with fourteen saved, four filled with the Holy Ghost, ten baptized in water and five added to the church, all adults. Three of these were male members who had never been saved before. The meeting was conducted by the pastor; the interest was extra good with a full house.

Our Sunday School has broken all records with an average of two hundred. We have put new pews in our church costing \$475.00, which is all paid, also

carpeted the church. The state program is all over the top.—J. S. Barnard, pastor at Soddy, Tenn.

The Earthquake

IMPERIAL VALLEY, Calif. — The earthquake which hit Imperial Valley didn't just do all damage and no good, because it caused people who were not living right to see their condition and try to do something about it (at least some of them).

I was reading Judge Sullivan's "Leaves From the Fig Tree" and he mentioned the earthquake and perhaps it would be in order for me to write some to the Evangel about some of the happenings on that day and since.

On May 18 at about 8:35 p.m. we had just returned home from down town and had made ourselves comfortable in an easy chair to enjoy the evening paper when the quake struck. We went by some of the saints' houses, then on down town to see what damage had been done and if anyone had been hurt. We arrived in time to see the rescue workers bringing the mangled bodies of four people from the debris, a young mother and two baby girls and a young girl about eighteen years old. It was a very sad scene. The best I can do at trying to describe such a scene is to say it was terrible. It really was an indescribable scene which I don't believe will ever leave me. Many buildings were completely wrecked. Many more had to be pulled down, or what was left standing. But we do thank the Lord that the little Church of God suffered not at all.

Sunday night, May 19, we had a real altar call. Seven were saved and one sanctified. Now people are getting hungry for old time religion. We are planning on starting a revival soon and we ask you to remember the Imperial Valley in your prayers. It sometimes gets pretty warm here, in fact, it is usually a hundred and twenty-five or thirty degrees in the shade, but we are planning on staying here during the summer and live for Jesus in it all. The Lord has brought us safely through two earthquakes. We lived in Long Beach, Calif., when the March 10 earthquake struck in 1933, so we are giving the Lord a praise offering for His goodness to us.

Friend, it surely is going to pay us to be ready to go when the Lord comes from glory after His bride. We cannot imagine just how terrible it will be after the saints have been raptured. I believe there will be scenes many times more horrible than we have ever witnessed here in California or anywhere else. We who have been through an earthquake have no desire to be in another, yet we will have to go where Jesus sends us

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Bible School

STUDY... TO SHOW THYSELF APPROVED
B.T.S. GO YE INTO ALL THE WORLD

OUR GLORY



The girls' dormitory, B. T. S., Sevierville, Tenn.

Correspondence Department

In a world of turmoil and strife there is still love, faith, and confidence in God. There are still reports of victory won and battles begun.

A few weeks ago I asked you to pray for a sister who desired to receive the Holy Ghost. The other day this letter came to me—

Dear Sister Swiger,

I'm happy tonight! I feel like a new person. I'm glad that I can praise and thank God for the Holy Ghost. Please tell the seekers there that God is still baptizing, and I'll be praying for them. I want to thank you good people for praying for me. I have surely been feeling the effects of it.—With love and best wishes, Inez Mae Davis, Norfolk, Va.

But with the victory won by some there are others that are in need of prayer and help. I have a number of requests for special prayer that God will undertake and make it easier to study and get the best from the course. Remember all who need to be strengthened in grace and overcoming power.

W. L. Davis of Greenwood, S. C. writes:

As I sit this morning thinking of the goodness of God and His saving power I thank Him for the B.T.S. Correspondence Department. It has been a blessing to me. Come

on now, Brother and Sister, Christ is our Captain and He never fails. Let us say with Paul, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Phil. 4:13. Sister Daisy Johanson of Massachusetts writes:

I am enclosing a few verses I wrote the other day. Perhaps they may be a blessing to someone.

MY PRAYER

May I win some soul for Jesus,
May I lead some wanderer home,
That is drifting down sin's highway
Far away from heaven and home.

May I speak a word for Jesus
As I journey here below,
That will help some soul to rescue,
And their blessed Savior know.

May I live my life for Jesus,
That a blessing I might be
To some lost and lonely sinner

Struggling on life's stormy sea.

There are many who are drifting
Down life's highway into sin;
Let me lend a hand to help them,
And for Him their souls to win.

Oh, that I might tell the story,
As it once was told to me,
When I wandered, blind and helpless,
With no light to help me see.

Help me, Jesus, give me wisdom,
Mould me, use me as thou wilt,
Give me faith to ever trust thee
And my humble place to fill.

Of myself I can do nothing,
And my life of no avail;
But with thee, dear Lord, to help me,
Then I know I cannot fail.

When my labors here are over,
And I go to be with thee
May I meet some soul I rescued
From life's rough and stormy sea!
—Daisy Johnson.

IN THE FIGHT FOR RIGHT

By W. C. CROWDER

Text: Psalms 149:6-9, "Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a twoedged sword in their hand; to execute vengeance upon the heathen, and punishments upon the people; to bind their kings with chains; and their nobles with fetters of iron; to execute upon

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The boys' dormitory, B. T. S., Sevierville, Tenn.

The Church of God Bible Training School, Sevierville, Tenn., opens October 7, 1940. If interested, write R. R. Walker, Sevierville, Tenn., for catalog and information.

Foreign Missions

ZENO C. THARP, Secretary of Mission Board

Letter from Dominican Republic

Iglesia de Dios
Aparto 1114
Ciudad Trujillo R. D.
June 25, 1940

Dear Brother Tharp:

I received your good letter of May 28 which gave me new courage to press on. I praise God that I am still able to fight for Jesus.

When your letter came I was in a new district far away, some 289 miles, called "Sanchez." This is quite on the northeast of the island. I felt called to go there and other places. I was on the tour for over one month and I feel the Lord is going to do great work in this benighted Republic. I visited Sanchez and around one dozen souls came to the Lord. I felt the need of starting a work there so I hired an old meat stall—I mean a place where meat was being sold. This stall can only hold the twelve brethren and numbers of people come but have to stand outside on account of our not having room to put them. I left the new converted brethren to hold meetings and I will have to pay a visit every month or as often as I am able to.

Now I am preparing two more native workers. I have three already working. One is paid \$5.00 by the Mission Board and I help the others in a poor way from my own allowance and what local tithes and offerings I can rake up. Also, I pay the rents in Puerto Plata and Sanchez from my allowance. I cannot help but do it because the work is growing and I don't want to lose opportunities.

The work in Puerto Plata is fine. Praise God for all His mercies toward us. Week before last and last week twenty-eight souls came to the Lord. And in the Province of Puerto Plata there are other small districts where we are working besides Puerto Plata City where the little mission is located.

Here in Ciudad Trujillo, capitol of the National District and all the Dominican Republic the work is encouraging. The present mission we have is too small and a great number of people have to stand outside in the streets. We are working in various districts around this city and keeping Sunday Schools in two very important stations. We generally keep service three times every day or at least twice a day. Every morning at 5:00 a.m., public prayer meetings in the

mission; at 2:00 p.m., private prayer meetings in the mission, and teaching, and at nights, general services. I praise God for that. The other church people said they have never seen that before. They said it would all drop after the brethren got tired coming three times every day, but it's three months now and they are not tired yet. The number is increasing every day, so now they say we are like soldiers on duty. It is commonly said here that we are doing what no other denomination ever did before, and a few of those from other churches are coming to the Church of God now to receive real salvation, sanctification and the Holy Ghost. Please pray for us here that the Church of God will be a blessing to all the nice Latin American people of this Republic.

These Spanish saints are very obedient; they do just what they are told to do. They obey and ask no question. They encourage me every day to work among them. They are very hard to come to Jesus, very weak and difficult to win for the Master on account of so much vices, rum, tobacco, dance and superstition but after they come into the fold they will do anything and make any sacrifice for their Savior and church. Some sisters got saved just five months

ago. They go and collect offerings for the good of the work without my asking them to do it and I am proud to see that after going round a month they brought \$4.00 and put it in my hands for the good of the Church of God. They are willing but there is very little money to be had, and yet they fight willingly without one murmur. They realize the need and they show they are helping the work on. I am surprised because these willing workers never knew the gospel before. Sometimes in teaching them I have to look for a passage of scripture because they are not well acquainted with the Bible.

Sister Sylvestre has a sisters' society, and I give them the mission on Friday nights and they are working wonderfully, and what little they do is a great help to the work. A group headed by Sister Sylvestre would go out every two days and visit the sinners, pray with them and bring them to the church, and some of these same people are praying for deliverance also. Some are already delivered from sin. There are wonderful prospects of soul winning in this republic. We need help and I earnestly pray that help will come in due time. We are looking at any moment for the soon coming of Jesus,

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This is a Sunday School group in one of the Barrios of Ciudad Trujillo, Dominican Republic. We have three Sunday Schools with equal quantity of assistance.

LEAVES FROM THE FIG TREE

An Interpretation of Current Events in the Light of Holy Prophecy

"Now, learn a parable of the fig tree: when his branch is yet tender and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh," Matt. 24:32.

By JUDGE SULLIVAN

TIME magazine relates news of the annual gathering of the Spiritualistic believers in America at their campground at Lily Dale, New York. Thousands were in attendance at their annual camp meeting. Hundreds of mediums, spirit writers, materializing mediums, etc., were entertaining and instructing the huge crowd. The materializing mediums are supposed to have the gift of making the dead person appear in natural form, sufficiently clear and plain to be greeted and recognized by the friends and loved ones of the "dead." Let not our people think this is all fraud and humbug. Those mediums certainly possess certain powers. No doubt of it. Of course, there is some fakery and chicanery but there is also some reality. The story related how that the late Secretary Swanson appeared and urged the people to protect the Atlantic Coast. Various other great men and women were supposed to have appeared. That is men and women we supposed to be dead. DELUSION! DELUSION! DELUSION!

Cleveland, Ohio, June 29 — "If the British do not stop Hitler, a Cleveland Rabbi said tonight, close to 5,000,000 Jews now coming under his jurisdiction are doomed. Hitler is determined to liquidate (kill) every last Jew in Europe, and he may attempt it by physical torture, starvation and mass migration to Lublin, the Polish Ghetto, to the African possessions of the French and British and to Madagascar, the hell-hole in the Indian Ocean, declared Dr. B. R. Brickner in an address on the Message of Israel radio program. In Palestine, Rabbi Brickner said, 500,000 Jews stand ready to die if need be in defense of Great Britain and the Progressive Jewish Commonwealth they have founded there. Anti-Semitism is not a Jewish disease, it is the world's disease. Wherever anti-Semitism is permitted to run rampant, you will notice that it is not only the Jew that is destroyed but democracy and freedom and religion that go under. The Jew is only

used as a convenient scapegoat. The Jews of this country in common with their fellow Americans must mobilize to save this country from the Fifth Columnists who would sow racial prejudice and disunion and unrest among our people." These things are tragically true. The Jew will probably get no surcease from persecution and travail until cometh that day when they shall cry "BLESSED IS HE THAT COMETH IN THE NAME OF THE LORD." That day will surely come!

The following editorial is quoted from the CINCINNATI ENQUIRER of June 29, 1940. "Dispatches from Germany tell us that immediately after the armistice with France, Reichsfuehrer Hitler gave thanks to God for granting Germany the victory. This makes us wonder what God it is that Hitler reveres and credits with the German triumph at arms. It could hardly be the God of the Old Testament, whose most favored children, the Jews, have been blasted out of their livelihoods and their homes, and harried for years by Hitler's secret police. It could hardly be the God worshipped by the devout folks of Hitler's own traditional faith, Roman Catholicism, for Hitler has had priests and nuns framed on various reprehensible charges. He has favored the stoning of an archbishop's palace. He has violated the Cocordat with the Vatican repeatedly, as two popes have bluntly charged. Certainly the god to whom Hitler offers thanks is not the God of the Evangelical Church, which has been despoiled of its prerogatives, whose brave pastors have been hunted down and jailed for their failure to embrace neopaganism. Perhaps Hitler's thanksgiving was directed to a strictly Teutonic god, the sort of god which ancient Teuton myth postulated for the worship of the rude warrior race, in a time when German forces were the haunts of barbaric tribes. This would be satisfactory, one may be sure, to the zealots of Nazism who have labored ceaselessly

to discredit and destroy the religions of Judaism and Christianity, and to raise anew the war gods of a barbaric age." SPIRIT OF ANTICHRIST!

Rev. Lewis O. Heck's hobby is hypnotism, according to NEWSWEEK magazine. He is pastor of the Church of the Messiah, Baltimore, Maryland. He has long been a student of hypnotism and related psychological studies. Three years ago one of Father Heck's parishoners, a temporary letter carrier, dropped into the rectory seeking advice. Faced with an examination for promotion to a permanent job, the visitor complained that he could not remember the names of streets. He thought he would fail his examination. The pastor decided to try hypnotism and putting the postman to sleep, read 2,000 names aloud. The upshot was that the postman took his exam and passed with a mark of 100%. Well, that is a new wrinkle, especially for preachers. The above pastor puts people to sleep for operations, etc. Just another of the many fallacies that are being preached and practised by the preachers of the earth today. Let our preachers steer clear of any new fads that don't have the authority of the Bible back of them. Just another occasion of substituting something for the genuine power of God in our lives.

"In the ivied buildings of the New Church Theological School at Cambridge, Mass., a small but fervent sect last week assembled for its 119th annual conclave. Some 500 delegates, representing some 6,000 members of the Church of The New Jerusalem, listened to sermons, passed resolutions and for the ninth successive year elected as president the Rev. Fred Sidney Mayer of Baltimore, a former magazine illustrator who was converted to the faith twenty years ago after reading the theological books of Emanuel Swedenborg." I have quoted the above paragraph from NEWSWEEK. The gist (Continued on page 14)

Pennsylvania Convention Convenes July 25-28, Somerset

CONVENTIONS

West Frankfort, Ill., District Convention

The West Frankfort district convention convened at Christopher June 7-9 inclusive. The power and presence of God was there from the beginning to the end. Brother Stanley Joplin, district overseer, had a well arranged program and the speakers were at their best. Good fellowship has prevailed in all the conventions. The mission cause was well represented by a good offering of \$56.10. The L.W.W.B. had a nice program.

The principal speakers were H. O. Harris, state overseer, Ermal Summers, Mary Fritz, Eldon Brayfield, Archie McWilliams, J. R. Berry, your scribe, Barbara King, and Claud Yates in charge of the Y. P. E. program.—P. F. Fritz, Mt. Vernon, Ill.

Cantwell, Mo., District Convention

The Cantwell district convention convened at Bonne Terre, Mo., June 7-9, with our state overseer, Brother Houston R. Morehead, and district overseer, Brother J. L. Underwood, in charge. In the first service the Holy Ghost took complete charge and we had a mighty altar service.

We were favored with a visit from the Eldorado quartet also Brother D. P. Barnett who was speaker of the evening. Brother Barnett pioneered the work here. Brother Morehead spoke Sunday morning on missions. The Lord honored this message with His divine presence. The people being so moved by His Spirit gave unto the mission cause an offering of \$60.00 in cash and pledges. Our offerings—orphange march, Sunday School superintendent, state overseer and mission—amounted to \$112.15. The convention closed with the churches reporting. Good reports were given. We have some good prospects for the church here in the future.—Lois Underwood, reporter.

Ky. Camp Meeting and Convention

We are happy indeed to report a great camp meeting and state convention for Kentucky this year. Starting the night of May 27 and continuing until June 2, we enjoyed five services daily, including Bible studies of prophecy and wonderful messages by the different ministers of Kentucky and the special helpers from out of the state. We can sincerely say we had as good if not the best preaching we have

ever heard. Every message was right in line and driving toward the point of greater progress for the Church, and it seemed we would mount higher and higher as each preacher preached under the inspiration of the Holy Ghost.

We were delighted to see Brother Whittington and the LeFevre trio come in on Tuesday and we were made happier when they started helping us with their wonderful singing and preaching. Brother Whittington did the night preaching for us and we all found the time too short. The people were stirred and numbers came to the altar for salvation. The trio certainly did their part in making the best camp meeting Kentucky has had. We all join in saying, "Come again."

We were also privileged to have Brother and Sister Waters and the Burnett sisters who are always making others happy with their singing wherever they go. With these two groups of workers helping us we were made to rejoice in the Lord and "sit together in heavenly places." We cannot express in words our appreciation for the fine service rendered, so we will try to put it in service on the fields.

Brother McClendon, of Largo, Fla., our former overseer, was with us and gave a very inspiring message. We were all glad to see Brother McClendon and family as it recalls precious memories. We extend them a hearty welcome back again.

Brother E. L. Simmons, Editor and Publisher of the Evangel, gave some very encouraging reports and preached to us until we were anxious for more. We were lifted up by his message until we could see how to "make the weak places strong." Long will we remember Brother Simmons' visit with us.

Of course, it is understood without saying we were thrilled to see our Assistant General Overseer, Brother Johnson, with us. We certainly appreciate his fine service in our midst. Brother Johnson preached on Saturday night and again on Sunday morning. These two messages were just what we needed to put us over the top in this great convention. Everyone was filled to running over and was melted to tears as Brother Johnson spoke to us. Sunday morning being the last service we sat and drank until we were just melted together with holy zeal to work for God.

An offering amounting to \$500 was given and then we expressed our love to each other and started for our fields of

labor.

I have never seen such love and fellowship manifested anywhere as we enjoyed at this great feast.

Other ministers visiting with us were Brother Headley of Middletown, Ohio, Brother and Sister George Lytle of Dayton, Ohio, Brother and Sister Nancy and daughter of Tennessee and a number of fine people from Cincinnati, Ohio. To all of these workers and visitors we say, "Come back to see us."—G. W. Lane, Louisville, Kentucky.

REVIVALS

A revival has just closed at Kingsport, Tenn., conducted by Brother Delk of North Carolina. There were six saved, one sanctified and the church greatly built up.—Mrs. N. B. Ketron, clerk, 1221 Chestnut St.

NORFOLK, Va.—We have just closed a very successful revival campaign at the Church of God in Lynchburg, Va. The meeting lasted four and one-half weeks. Many strangers attended and the church was considerably revived. God added His blessings and approval. We are one hundred per cent for the Church of God. We are now in a revival in Norfolk, Va. — Russell and Dorothea Ford, evangelists.

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Alabama Camp Meeting-Conv'n. July 18-28, at Sumiton

✿ Notes of Praise ✿

Mrs. Bruce Rollins of Whitwell, Tenn., thanks God for saving, sanctifying and filling her with the Holy Ghost. She also thanks Him for healing her of acute indigestion when she was about dead. She also had another affliction and the Lord healed her of that too.

Dear Friends:

I thank God for healing my baby ten months old of double pneumonia. I sent word to Brother Rigdon and also Sister White of Texas to pray for her and she was wonderfully healed. I know God can do the same for me. Pray earnestly for me that I will be healed and get a deeper experience with the Lord. I am greatly in need of your prayers.—Mrs. Della Devall, Rt. 1, c/o E. E. Cason, Piedmont, S. C.

BOSTON, Md.—I praise the Lord that He came to this world to save me from sin. He sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost. I praise Him for the George's Creek Church of God, the Y.P.E., Sunday School, and for our wonderful pastor, Brother Boger. Pray for me that I will be a soul winner for Jesus and be ready to go with Him when He comes.—Robert Humbertson.

ALABAMA CITY, Ala.—I praise God for victory in my soul. I mean to be a light for Jesus. Make me as clay in the potter's hand, is my prayer to God. It seemed I was taking the flu. I had a temperature and a sore throat. I had been bothered off and on for two weeks with sore throat but trusted God for my healing. I sent word to some of the saints and put the Evangel to my throat and called on God. Thank God He healed me and took care of my precious baby too. Thank God, He is a wonderful helper in time of need.

Pray for me to stand true, I am having a hard battle. I hardly ever get to go to church. Pray for my husband to get the blessings. Friends bring me Evangel and Lighted Pathways sometimes which are real food to my soul. By God's help I mean to press on. Pray for my other loved ones who are in sin and for me to be true.—Ollie Benefield, Rt. 1, c/o A. Y. Garren.

Mrs. W. M. Byrd of Perdido, Ala., praises the Lord for His great healing power. She states that she couldn't lie on her left side at all because her heart troubled her, but the Lord healed her when she sent a request for prayer. She

also praises God for the good revival at Perdido with Brother A. G. Phillips doing the preaching.

HOMERVILLE, Ga.—Dear saints of God: I am a young girl in my early teens. Last August 25 I gave my heart to God. I was deeply under conviction but I did not want to surrender. There were two young boys in the church and at that time I was the only girl, but, thank God, in the past month four other girls have received the Holy Ghost. Two of them received the Holy Ghost last night.

Saints, please pray for me to hold on to God.—Miss Inez Denmark.

LAKE BUTLER, Fla.—I praise God so much for the things He has done for me. He healed my little boy of a skin trouble that he had four years. He had been under the doctor's treatment and been in the hospital four times in the four years but was never well. But, praise God for healing him.—Mary Prescott.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — On June 4, 1940 at the Eighth Avenue Church of God Sister Florence Kinsley had a healing service and God wonderfully healed me of bronchial asthma and I praise Him for it.—Mrs. Eva Lusk, 1013 Flemming Ave.

ROANOKE, Va.—I praise God for victory. I thank and praise Him for saving me and giving me a desire to do something for Him. I thank Him for His healing power. He has healed my family many times. I suffered many years and God came on the scene and saved my soul and healed me.

One year ago my baby was very sick. I prayed for God to let him stay with me but it looked like he got worse. I changed my prayers and said, "Lord, if you want to heal him your will be done, not mine," and the Lord healed him. Thank God. He is with me today and in good health. Sometimes we have to get willing to let God have His way.

I thank those who sent prayers up for me. I got so many letters I could not answer them. Pray for us.—Mrs. W. C. Shockley, Rt. 6, Box 72-A.

JAL, N. Mex.—I praise God for His wonderful healing power. On Sunday, June 16, Father's Day, my little boy, Billy Petty, eight years old, fell off the windmill and broke his arm half way

between his elbow and shoulder. My husband and I both saw it was completely broken. He went after the saints to pray, and, praise the Lord, He healed almost instantly. It didn't even swell and he can use it pretty good only for the soreness. Billy wanted me to write this and tell every one who knows him to please write him a letter.

Pray for us that we will be ready to go when the Lord comes or calls.—Brother and Sister R. L. Petty, Box 75.

Mrs. Sam Mitchell of Calhoun, Ga., praises the Lord for being saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. She also testifies to the healing power of God. He healed her husband of poison oak and her children of whooping cough. She thanks everyone who sent an encouraging letter and anointed cloth.

DOORS

Laura Adrene Sanders

Rusty doors; ivy covered doors;
Doors entwined by the thorn
Which call forth blood from the Stranger;

Doors slightly ajar

That have no room for a manger;
Doors locked fast with a bar;
Doors with their red signal "Danger,"
All are exposed by a well-beaten road
Where one lonely man sought abode.
Footprints coming and going teach well
That none ever answered the bell.

Shining doors; wide open doors;
Lattice stripped doors, neatly kept;
Inviting doors adorned by "Welcome,
My Lover;"

Doors where the knobs are dripping with honey;

Doors where the keepers serve not for money;

Doors that have love for their cover;
Doors where the bats never hover;
Paths to all these show the footprints of two,

His to her house, hers to His throne,
History reveals in the homes of these true

Destruction has never been known.

Hidden doors; mystery trap doors;
Death doors for all who love peace;
Guns, mountain high, at the entrance
are laid;

Shell splintered doors show a price has been paid;

Footprints, unknown to the bridegroom
and maid,

Are streaming in blood where the visitants wade.

Standing aside with his awe-stricken eyes
Lifted in wonder at thundering skies,

He who has moved the whole world with His voice,

Shall He not enter these doors at His choice?

He has the password. Be still and rejoice.

Revival Reports

PORT HURON, Mich.—Sister Helen L. Morrow and Miss Margaret James just closed a very successful revival at Port Huron. During the two weeks twenty-five were saved and six united with the Church of God, including a minister of the gospel, Rev. Wm. Boyd. Sister Morrow seemed to be at her best in giving out the Word. Eternity alone will reveal the results of these special services. Also, Miss James is a very competent musician and worker.—C. G. Carder, pastor.

ATOKA, Okla.—We are happy to report the closing of our revival June 9 with fifteen saved, five sanctified, eight baptized in water and one added to the church, for which we praise God. The revival was conducted in Binger, Okla., the writer doing the preaching, God working with us.

We wish to mention the miraculous healing of Sister Carl Vinson of cancer. Praise God. She was given up by the doctor; he said there was no cure for her except from higher power than man. On May 26 I was afflicted with sore chest and choking, I couldn't speak above a whisper. We had prayer. Brother Vance and the saints surely reached the throne of grace, and the devil cheated me out of only one sermon last month. He is surely on the job.—J. T. Hickman, Atoka, Okla., Rt. 4.

STOCKTON SPRINGS, Me. — We have just closed a four weeks' revival conducted by Sister Emma Newman of Alabama. This is a new field and a hard one as most of the people are Spiritualists, Christian Science, Universalists and Catholics. But we praise God because two have been regenerated, one sanctified, one saved, four filled with the blessed Holy Ghost and four added to the church. We are hoping to set a church in order here soon and desire your prayers.—Maria Landerville.

NEW BETHLEHEM, Pa.—We have just closed a very successful revival campaign which ran for four weeks. There were fourteen saved, seven sanctified, and seven filled with the Holy Ghost. Sister Shaal and husband of Saxton, Pa., did the preaching. Brother Shaal plays the piano accordion and they sing together. They surely are fine for revivals.—George R. Folk, pastor.

DONNA, Tex.—I have just closed a revival at McAllen, Tex., R. O. Woodruff, pastor, with two saved, and one

Spanish teacher received the Holy Ghost. We thank God for these souls. A baby was also healed. Thank God for His healing power.

I have just come into the Church of God and am open for calls. I have had eight years in open field work.—L. M. Chappell, evangelist.

RICHMOND, Va.—Today finds me on my way to glory because I can feel the great love of God flowing over my soul. Praise His name. Every day the way grows sweeter to me. I find my blessed Savior a present help in time of need. I am glad I can trust Him. He has healed me and my children several times. Bless His name. It pays to trust God; He will never forsake us.

Pray for our church at Keysville, Va., that we will go over the top for God. Our pastor is Brother Elbert Bagwell. Pray for our church here in Richmond.—Sister Lee Green, Rt. 6, Box 361.

ELYS, Ky.—A revival broke out here and with about five weeks' preaching there has been twenty-one saved, seven sanctified, and three filled with the Holy Ghost. A new Sunday School has been organized with better than forty average attendance; a new Y. P. E. organized with about forty average attendance selling twenty-eight Lighted Pathways a month. God really stirred up their camp and now

they want a church. — W. T. Truett, evangelist.

Candler, N. C., closed a wonderful revival June 9. Brother C. D. Henry of Pennsylvania, was the evangelist. There were sixteen saved, thirteen sanctified, six filled with the Holy Ghost, four added to the church and eleven baptized in water. We truly thank God for the mighty outpouring of His Spirit and for an obedient evangelist.—Leo Hollifield.

Brother A. J. Murray of Pine Bluff, Ark., reports a wonderful revival just closed with thirty saved, twenty-four sanctified, twenty filled with the Holy Ghost, twenty-nine baptized in water and forty-two added to the church. Brother and Sister Mercier of California did the preaching which was splendid. In one service nine were filled with the Holy Ghost.

The Church of God at Murphy, Okla., just closed a wonderful revival conducted by Brother E. M. Blunt, in which there were twenty-four saved and reclaimed, nineteen sanctified, fifteen filled with the Holy Ghost and eighteen baptized in water. The altar was still filled with seekers.—A. A. Vanbrunt, pastor.

A wonderful revival was held at Shorts Creek, Va., Church of God in which there were about seventeen saved, some sanctified, four filled with the Holy Ghost, and twenty-three baptized in water. The Lord surely is blessing at Shorts Creek. Brother L. B. Lyons did the preaching. He did some good preaching.—G. L. Berry, pastor, Rt. 1, Austinville, Va.

TENNESSEE CAMP MEETING AND STATE CONVENTION



The big tent on the campus of the Church of God Bible Training School at Sevierville, Tennessee, where the state camp meeting and convention will be held July 25 to August 4. All rooms were taken at the Bible School dormitories last year for this great event and it is expected that we will have much larger crowds this year so make your reservations now. For information write to Rev. John C. Jernigan, state overseer, 2519 Trunk Street, Cleveland, Tennessee.

Requests For Prayer

PRAY FOR—

My daughter to be healed of lung trouble and saved; me and my family. Encouraging letters on divine healing appreciated. Sister Era Delks, please write to us.—Mrs. E. Floyd, Rt. 1, Hillsboro, Tenn.

The healing of my throat and body.—J. R. Brown.

God to remove hindering causes; my husband to be saved.—A sister in Christ, Hot Springs, N. Mex.

The healing of my nerves; me to be healed of something like rheumatism in my joints.—Claude Gossett, Huntsville, Ala.

The healing of our baby who is very, very ill with meningitis. She can't be with us much longer unless the Lord undertakes.—Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Brasher, Dixiana, Ala.

The healing of my daughter, Mrs. Louise Dooley, Rt. 1, c/o O. C. Wilson, Trion, Ga.—Mrs. Rosa Wilson, Rt. 1, Trion, Ga.

The healing of my little girl who has been in the hospital seven weeks.—Mrs. J. M. Weeks, Immokalee, Fla.

Me to be completely healed; unspoken requests; Miss Dika Apelian who has T. B. to be healed; Grace Grimond to be healed. I thank Mrs. K. J. Jernigan for putting my request for prayer in the Evangel just when I needed it. I have given up all and am trusting God completely.—Bernice LaMonte, Seton Hospital, Bronx, N. Y.

Our revival here.—Hannah Atterberry, Quitman, Ark.

The Lord to answer four very urgent and important requests.—Mrs. F. E. Ryan, Coal City, W. Va.

Me to be healed of a severe head trouble; the Lord to bless our efforts in building a church; God to undertake for us; me to be completely healed. Please write to me.—Mrs. H. L. McDaniel, Mt. Holly, N. C.

My loved ones to be saved.—Sister Florence Sturm, Statesboro, Ga.

Our revival in a new field.—Thos. G. Evans, Russellville, Ala.

God to make a way for us to get a building of our own to worship in; God to undertake for us and bless our efforts.—Sprinkle Roberts, Guyan, W. Va.

My unsaved loved ones to be saved; me to be a blessing to others; two unspoken requests.—Vivian Bradshaw, Mount Ulla, N. C.

Very urgent unspoken request; the healing of my body of heart and spinal trouble and a nervous breakdown.—Sis-

ter Goldie Lane, Blacksburg, S. C.

The complete healing of my body, D. V. If it is not His will to heal me, pray that He will take me out of my suffering.—Sister Fannie Duncan, 1433 Cooper St., Augusta, Ga.

My husband to be saved, sanctified and filled with Holy Ghost; other loved ones; complete healing of my body; my faith to be increased; unspoken request.—Mrs. R. A. Wynn, Daisy, Tenn.

My daughter to be healed of ulcers. Fast if led. Encouraging letters appreciated.—Maggie Holbrook, McCaysville, Ga.

The healing of my body; the cause of the weakness of my body to be removed; our revival; my mother to be completely healed of a goitre and a sore limb.—Mrs. Ofa B. Napier, Saul, Ky.

My little girl to be healed of a bad case of poison ivy; her leg to be healed.—Mrs. Frank Davis, Troy, Tenn.

Please pray for us. If life gets much harder, I don't see how I can stand it. All my family is sick; it seems everything is going wrong, and I'm not close enough to the Lord to bear this heavy load. I feel so far from God in a way, yet I love the way of right and do as much as I can to live right. It has been over five years since I've been in a Church of God meeting. Oh, if I could go to church and have that sweet unity and fellowship with the saints. Pray for God to have His way and that I won't go wrong in mind and trust the Lord and bear what might come my way.—A lover of the Church of God, Stewart, Miss.

Me to get closer to the Lord; my son, Aubrey D. Hendricks, Buckeye, Ariz., to get salvation no matter what it takes, the cross in our church to be removed; unspoken request.—Mrs. Nora Shepherd, Alma, Ga.

The healing of my foot.—Janie Brown, Rt. 2, Oakland St., Hot Springs, Ark.

Very urgent request; two young girls to be saved; two sisters and one brother to be saved.—Mrs. Eva Smith, 7853 Champlain St., Toledo, Ohio.

The healing of my shoulder; my mother's health to be restored; our lost loved ones.—Miss Pearl Webb, Buck Creek Rt., Highlands, N. C.

The healing of my baby boy who was burned with hot starch on his chest, back, neck and one arm.—Mrs. Alfred Rose, Mohegan, W. Va.

The healing of my body.—Mrs. Earl Roupe, Rt. 3, Box 176, Uniontown, Pa.

Me to be completely healed of asthma and other ailments; me to be sanctified

and filled with the Holy Ghost. Anointed cloth and encouraging letters appreciated.—Mrs. Bertha Burchett, 50 Lee Ave., Schoolfield, Va.

The healing of my afflicted boy; our church at Canton.—Miss Jarene Manly, Canton, N. C.

My unsaved loved ones to be saved.—Sister Snyder, Reading, Pa.

Me to be healed of bronchial and head trouble; me to receive the Holy Ghost. Anointed cloth appreciated.—Miss Gladys Jones, Rt. 4, Hattiesburg, Miss.

My father and brothers to receive the blessing; unspoken request; our family to live close to God.—Mrs. A. N. Daniel, Palmetto, Fla.

The healing of my body; my husband and children to be saved; the healing of Sister Dossie Phillips' little girl of white swelling.—Mrs. G. H. Glover, Rt. 2, Loretto, Tenn.

Our revival; the healing of my body; my mother to be healed and saved.—Mrs. Frank Hill, Montcalm, W. Va.

My husband to get back to the Lord; my children to get salvation; our church and pastor.—Bertha Hampton, Star Rt. 2, Brodhead, Ky.

Sister Flora Chance to be healed.—Mrs. J. L. Chance, 138 Boutwell St., Greenville, Ala.

The healing of our baby who has spells with her head. Two unspoken requests; God to undertake; my husband to be healed; me to get closer to the Lord; my nephew's baby to be healed; three brothers to be saved.—Mrs. Sarah Goble, Lebanon, Ga.

Our pastor; his afflicted wife to be healed; us here.—O. J. Burleson, Box 43, Lane, Okla.

My sister to be relieved of a heavy burden and to be an overcomer; my mother to be healed; us to have a way to go to church; my father, sister and brothers to be saved. Fast if led.—Jewell Lyle, Millboro, Va.

Me to be healed; my loved ones to be saved; my mother to receive the Holy Ghost; two unspoken requests.—Mrs. Bessie Lyle, Millboro, Va.

The healing of Sister Dollie Whitehead's body; our revival and Y. P. E.; unspoken request.—Lois Best, Rt. 1, Milan, Ga.

My husband and brother to receive the Holy Ghost.—Mrs. Elsie Coggins, Speedwell, N. C.

Revival

Isaban, W. Va., Church of God has just closed a three weeks' revival which was a wonderful success, with one saved, two sanctified, one baptized in water and one added to the church. Sister Elizabeth Boothe of Inez, did the preaching under the anointing of the Holy Ghost. Brother Dillard Spaulding preached some wonderful messages one week end.—Miss Iona Hileman, Isaban, W. Va.

Question Box

Question: Do people have the Holy Ghost in the new birth and in sanctification, or what do they have?—L. R. R.

Answer: The Holy Ghost is the operating Spirit of God in the earth. Jesus said to His disciples in John 14:16, "And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever." In verse 26 He said, "which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you." The fact that He was to be another Comforter signifies that He was to take the place of Jesus, hence He was the one to operate in the name of the Father. For this reason it is to be believed that all that is done to bring one to Christ, conviction, conversion, or sanctification, is done through the operation of the Holy Spirit. Then in the baptism with the Holy Ghost the Spirit takes His move into the individual's life. As Jesus had prophesied, "He dwelleth with you and shall be in you." The Trinity of God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost is a mystery and takes study to understand. Though the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost are three separate persons, yet, according to the Word of God, they are one and work harmoniously as one.

For further information order the little booklet "Mystery of the Trinity," price 20c.

Question: Will the Church go through the first half of the tribulation or will the rapture be at the beginning of the tribulation?—Mrs. L. H.

Answer: The Church has ever had tribulation and in many places in the world now the saints of God are suffering great tribulation. In some communities here in America, those who believe in holiness suffer some tribulation. But the great tribulation spoken of in Matthew 24:21, which will be greater than the world ever knew, and the same period spoken of in Rev. 3:10 as the hour of temptation which shall come upon all the world to try them that dwell upon the earth, has not as yet come, and it is believed by the most of Bible scholars that the Church will not go through that tribulation but will be caught up to meet the Lord in the air before it comes in its great fury. The message to the Philadelphian church is, "Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth." The scripture in Isa. 26:20 is

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War

BY CARL T. WILLIAMS

My dear friends everywhere, I am glad for this opportunity to write just a brief message on this one-word subject, "War."

We know that war is the state of using violence against another. We pick up our newspapers and what do we see? War is on. We turn the radio on. What do we hear? We hear about the nations in war one with another. But, my dear friends, we remember the words of Jesus when He was speaking to His disciples. Matt. 24:6, "And ye shall hear of wars, and rumors of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet." Matt. 24:7, 8, "For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places. All these are the beginning of sorrows."

Now we who are in God's work are in war against the powers of the darkness of hell and the devil and we must have on the whole armor of God. Eph. 6:11, "Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil." Oh yes, we have to fight hard, but praise God, if we keep on fighting until the fight is over we will win the victory but if we put our hands to the plow and look back we are not fit for the kingdom of heaven. We have to keep our heads up and look straight ahead, but if we stop and look back like Lot's wife did, it will be woe unto us.

I was talking with a man in Greenville, S. C., last summer and we were talking about the whole armor of God. He said that the whole armor of God was justification, sanctification and the baptism of the Holy Ghost, but I say it is not. Eph. 6:16-18, "Above all things, taking the shield of faith, wherewith we shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God. Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints."

Now in these few verses it tells us what the whole armor of God is. I am glad that I can work for my Master. Yes, it is time for us to get busy and do more for this lost and dying world. Instead of hanging ourselves over the fence and talking about our neighbors, let's hang ourselves over the altar and pray for lost souls. Amen. Now I'm talking to you who are guilty. Ask yourselves if you are guilty of that, and don't like your pastor. Look out now, I'm afraid I'm going to get on somebody's toes. If I do, you say, Lord, help me.

If we are going to be Christians let's

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YEARS AGO THIS WEEK

This is the way that Charles Furman, overseer of the Church of God in Guatemala, begins a book that he has written on twenty years of mission work in Guatemala. We give a few excerpts from the book: "Twenty years ago this week."

What memories these words call forth in the minds of the old soldiers of the cross, of lives adventured on in the Word of God, memories of battles and of victories won in the name of the Lord of hosts, of hardships, of journeys, of dangers, of blessings, and of the Lord's promises confirmed, oftentimes after faith had been long tried, spiritual battles and victories perhaps never recorded except in memory, and in the accounts kept above.

"A glance backward to the barren and primitive conditions at the beginning of our work here will help us better to appreciate the Lord's faithfulness in confirming the message of salvation wherever His command to 'Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature' is obeyed and His gospel preached.

"Twenty years ago, here in Guatemala, takes us back to the foundation of our work among the Indians, of the Mayan highlands, back to the time when, with the exception of three small congregations in Totonicapan, San Cristobal, and Paxixil, these highlands were a spiritual desert. And the Indian towns and villages where there are now flourishing congregations of blood-washed and Spirit-filled Christians, were as walled cities, strongholds of the powers of darkness, systematically fortified against the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ by idolatrous Roman Catholic pretensions built upon the foundations of age-old pagan idolatry, superstition, witchcraft, ignorance, and fanaticism. The Roman Catholic church made no converts to the gospel of Christ 'which is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth' in these Spanish-conquered lands, but it did force upon a subjugated and helpless race its idolatrous forms and practices."

Brother Furman beautifully but briefly traces his work of twenty years in the Republic of Guatemala and gives a sketch map of the Guatemala highlands, pictures of

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them the judgment written; this honor have all the saints. Praise ye the Lord."

Our very Christian life is by faith and dependent on what we believe. Our great defense is the written Word of God and Jesus in whom we believe. For the benefit of those that dare not encourage the best possible literary training for our Spirit-born people, please consider the attitude of the beloved warrior David in the above portion of the 149th Psalm. To offset temptation and doubt from every angle, of any source, God permits every saint to use His written Word,—proper use always upsets the devil's achievements.

Failures of the past have been accounted against man for his unbelief and non-use of the Word of God.

Hebrews 4:11, "Let us labor therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same manner of unbelief."

Context: Hebrews 4:12, "For the Word of God is quick, and powerful, and shaper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart."

There can be no Blitzkrieg fast or powerful enough of man and the devil to enslave God's child using His Word. John 8:32 "And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

Today's war, turmoil, and perils of every kind are products of infidelity and indifference to the Word of God in nations, states, groups and church organizations.

It is the God-given nature of man to seek more knowledge, or to know. It was God's nature by the Holy Ghost to supply us His Word in understandable form, regarding God, the Godhead, the creations; reasonable proof against all ungodly, ill-informed atheism put before us today, men receiving honor one of another. Hebrews 5:44.

May God help us to accept His Word, study that we can really preach it, and continually live in it so we will always be obedient to the commandment given by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, "that ye love one another, as I have loved you." St. John 15:12b. The catastrophe against the physical life of Christ and His advent of service to the human family was not understood by people at the time of His earthly ministry because of their failure to search the scriptures of Moses and the prophets for understanding. St. John 5:46, "For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me." Aid of the Holy Ghost

and opportunities afforded of fact for fact now in the field of education should no less than prompt us to praise God for unimpeachable evidence, enabling us to win victory, remaining free through test, and ready when He says, Well done, come up higher, be with me.

Without favor to anyone, will you not agree with accommodating ourselves and our youth for the educational facilities of the Church? We will advance in this department to the glory of God as fast as we utilize the present stage, for we believe the Church of God school will continue for all the truth rightly divided. Unlimited are the unexplored treasures for combating the evils due to lack of wisdom and understanding to the child of God in the fight for right found in the Bible by those who desire to learn of Christ and willing to be taught.

Leaves From the Fig Tree

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of the matter is that these people believe that several times during his lifetime, the brilliant Swedenborg was caught up into heaven and there conversed at length with the eminent angels and archangels, whose language he said resembled Hebrew. He said he discussed theology with Martin Luther. Of course, he at once denounced all other religions as fakes and frauds and established his own. This was prior to his death in 1772. After all these years, he still has thousands of followers scattered throughout the world.

Swedenborg was undoubtedly a brilliant man with a keen mind. However, in keeping with most new DELUSIONS he began denying the power of the blood, etc. Yet, many people will swallow that, hook, line and sinker.

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Last week there was another church merger. The Reformed Church with a membership of 477,198 and the Evangelical Church with a membership of 364,122, merged at a conference held at Lancaster, Penna. Truly this is a day of coming together. A day of mergers. A day of close cooperation. It occurs to me that the churches are preparing themselves for the appearance of their head. I mean the churches which fail to preach and walk in the light. They, too, will have an earthly leader. REMEMBER THE FALSE PROPHET.

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a parallel, "Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doors about thee: hide thyself as it were for a little moment, until the indignation be overpast. For, behold, the Lord cometh out of his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity: the earth also shall disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain." These passages seem to indicate that the Church will not be here during the time that the Lord shall pour out the fury of His wrath upon the earth.

NEW CHURCH IN PENNSYLVANIA



Brother and Sister George Short have been working faithfully in High House (near Uniontown), Pennsylvania, for the past two years, and the above picture shows the results. They have purchased the building you see above and in the last two revivals many have received the Holy Ghost.

A number of nice church buildings have been secured in Pennsylvania this year, and things are on the upward trend. In a few days we will be in the GREAT NORTHEAST CAMP MEETING AT SOMERSET, PENNSYLVANIA, JULY 20 TO 28, INCLUSIVE. ALL ARE CORDIALLY INVITED.
—Paul H. Walker, state overseer.

Obituaries

MINER

Brother J. B. Miner, member of the Church of God at Oak Grove, Clanton, Ala., slipped away to be with Jesus May 28, 1940; age fifty-two years.—Jesse Mitchell, pastor, Verbena, Ala.

RATTERREE

Brother Carlye Ratterree went to be with Jesus June, 1940. He slipped away into a mountain and desert place, without food or water, to fast and pray for seven days. He was found Sunday, June 9, and undertakers said he had been dead about three days. He was a devoted and loyal member of the Church of God. We regret the loss of Brother Ratterree and his dear mother has our sympathy.—His pastor, O. E. Lawrence, Rt. 12, Box 1361, Phoenix, Ariz.

HERRING

Virginia (Cole) Herring was born July 15, 1924 and departed this life June 14, 1940; age fifteen years, eleven months and nine days. Pray for her bereaved father, mother and husband.—A friend, Mrs. R. T. Lankford, Piedmont, Ala.

GOLDEN

Mrs. John Golden, a faithful member of the Church of God at Cantwell, Mo., was born May 10, 1885 and departed this life June 11, 1940. She remained true to the Church and her Master until the end.—Her son, Earl Golden, Desloge, Mo.

MULL

Mrs. Ollie Mull, a member of the Church of God at Andrews, N. C., departed this life May 24, 1940; age thirty-eight years.—Mrs. Bertha Nichols, clerk, Andrews, N. C.

RIES

Sister Lucy C. Ries, member of the Church of God, died June 20, 1940; age sixty-five years. Her sister, Mary Pro-wathian, age seventy-eight years, passed away last November. Sister Ries was an active exhorter and teacher in the Church for years.—B. O. Rosenbaum, Philadelphia, Pa.

ROUPE

Mrs. Verdie (Grandma) Roupe, age sixty-six years, was fatally injured in an automobile accident while on her way to a Y. P. E. rally. She died praising the Lord.—Her leader, Mrs. Rose Short, Uniontown, Pa.

GARRETT

Mrs. W. H. Garrett of Ocilla, Ga., a

true Christian, departed this life May 15, 1940; age seventy-six years, three months and six days.—Her stepdaughter, Mrs. Lavera Singleton, Box 15, Everglades, Fla.

LASHLEY

Deacon Francis A. Lashley, a faithful member of the Church of God at East Sheer, Nassau, Bah., departed this life June 12, 1940; age sixty-three years.—Deacon Albert Ingraham, Nassau, Bah.

HAMILTON

Sister Eliza Hamilton, a faithful member of the East Sheer church, Nassau, Bah., departed this life June 15, 1940; age seventy-five years.—Deacon Albert Ingraham.

WORM

Mrs. Lydia Worm, member of the Church of God at Coal Springs, S. Dak., went to be with Jesus May 22, 1940.—Her daughter, Mrs. James J. Martin, Newell, S. Dak.

ELTON

On June 8, 1940, our dear mother, Mrs. Mary Ann Elton, a faithful member of the Church of God at Oconee, Ga., went to be with Jesus; age forty-nine years, four months and eight days. Pray that her unsaved loved ones will be saved.—Her heartbroken daughter, Mrs. J. W. Underwood, Rt. 2, Dublin, Ga.

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so please help us and pray that God will save all such as are worthy of His grace.—Your missionary in Dominican Republic, George L. Sylvestre.

Convention

GRAND TURK IS., B. W. I.—I am still determined by His grace to stand to my job. After Brother Franks did not have the chance to come over here and as I was all ready to have the convention, I went through with it. We had a wonderful time. We had delegates from Grand Turk, Blue Hill, Whitby, Sandy Point, and Bottle Creek. We had the convention at Kew. We had speakers from the Church of God in Christ and from the high men of the town. We had a parade with banners representing the different islands and the folks say they never saw it like that. All the saints and friends were happy, shouting and talking in tongues. The church was crowded in and out and they behaved themselves well.

We had three days, from May 26-28. The Lord directed us and I know the Lord had the glory. All the high government men say that our church is the best one and everything is in order. My expenses were high, the delegates did not

have anything to eat and no money to pay passage, so I took the expenses to make things good.

Pray for me to stand strong in the faith. God bless you.—A. W. Rigby, overseer of Turk Island.

Work in Panama Expands

Psa. 16:8, "I have set the Lord always before me: because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved."

There were times when the psalmist had met with many trials that would try to pull him away from serving God. I remember once I had an old Ford car. It was a real test every pay day. We spent nearly all we had on the old Ford. The children were running out of clothes and shoes. One brother said I was getting very thin. We were just worried. Then my wife and I got together and we prayed over the matter that God would undertake for us. Surely He sent a purchaser. He is at our right hand. We cannot be moved. Oh glory to God! I feel like shouting this morning because we cannot be moved.

The psalmist set the Lord before him. O Church of God, God is blessing us because we have set the Lord before us. He is our ideal pattern and friend and Savior. Yes, friends, set Him before you today.

In setting the Lord before us it is just like entering a harbor with lights shining. When we were in the interior Brothers Syverson, Herrera and I left Timati for Garachine. The light was a great help to us in entering the harbor at twelve o'clock midnight in a small boat. Then I notice, the Lord is at our right hand. The right hand is active, stronger and ready at all times to work. So the Lord is ready to help His children. Thank God for the Church of God in Panama, also for the Mission Board who sent out three Holy-Ghost men to help us—Brother Ingram who organized us, then Paul H. Walker who came and helped us along so well, and Brother Syverson who is cut out for Central American work. He is getting along nicely with Spanish and the Spanish folk love him. Our fellowship is wonderful.

GROWTH OF OUR WORK

During the visit of Brother Syverson, Brother Angvick (Pentecostal) of California brought his churches into the Church of God. I knew Brother Angvick for many years and we worked together. We had wonderful fellowship. At the arrival of Brother Syverson I carried him over to the Pentecostal tabernacle where he met Brother Angvick. When the news came that he and his people came over to us, we cried for joy. At present we have in both English and Spanish fourteen workers. Yes, the Lord is at our right hand. One member of a certain

church said she wished it was her body that had come over to the Church of God. Oh hallelujah! We praise God because He is at our right hand. We cannot be moved. Amen.—Bolívar DeSouza, district overseer, Panama and Canal Zone.

The Earthquake

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and stay where He puts us in spite of earthquakes, heat or anything else that may come. Thank God, He is well able to keep us in any difficulty. Where Jesus is there is peace and security. Pray that the Lord will give us a real Holy Ghost revival here in Imperial.—Humbly, Hilton Vail, pastor.

Watchman, What of the Night?

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ber, as the Word of God tells us. Christian, haven't you already noticed this in-different attitude among the ministers of the gospel, as well as among the lay-members?

Every one of us can be watchman to this extent, we can warn those with whom we come in contact. This mission may also be laid on certain individuals' hearts by God. Surely we need to be prepared for anything these days because the enemy is coming upon us like a flood. The Rock is now our only refuge.

Is it possible that people can be so heedless? Yes. In the days of Noah they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, and so shall it be in the coming of the Son of man. Just think, only eight souls went into the ark. There will only be a small number go into God's great ark also. All that say Lord, Lord, will not enter in, but those that do the will of my Father which is in heaven.

I often think of what God said about the ant. "Go to the ant, thou sluggard, and learn her ways and be wise, who gathers her food in the summer." Are we like the sluggard? May God help us to examine ourselves and wake up out of the terrible sleep. The ant, we all know, is a frail little insect but she certainly works hard to take in her food in the summer. This scripture comes to me so forcibly, the summer is ended and the harvest is past and we are not saved. Have we enough spiritual food stored up for the great winter that is ahead of us?

If there was ever a time that we needed to pray and seek God for ourselves it is now. We can't look to one another, for vain is the help of man. God is the hope of His people. The reason so many are giving up and going back to the camp is because they lose sight of God and get their eyes on people.

War is existing in many nations of the world and is close to our door. How terrible the suffering and snatching out of

innocent lives, but this is only the beginning of troubles. A greater battle is being fought between the forces of good and evil. The man or woman that is trying to live right and serve God is having a struggle with the enemy of his or her soul. Satan is making us look at the conditions that are hazarding the world of civilization and making us forget the real issue,—we are ready to meet the King of kings and Lord of all?

Is your ear tuned to heaven so that when the great archangel sounds the trumpet you will hear it and be caught away on the wings of glory? Friend, this is something to think about. Are you thinking? Let us search the Word of God and know for ourselves that our names are written in heaven. In just a little while we will be changing the old cross for a glittering crown.

The cry is still going out, Watchman, what of the night?

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be Christians, and if we are going to be Church of God let's act like Church of God folks. Amen. Don't act like a hypocrite. My friends, I can't help it if you have to face your works at the judgment bar of God. We are going to be judged according to our works, whether they be good or bad. Now let every one of us hit the altar of God and take another dip and say, Lord, forgive us for our short-coming. We must be upright and holy before God. It's going to take holy living to get to heaven so let every one of us Church of God people seek for the power of God.

I want all of you to pray for me that I may get bolder for God and be able to fight sin and the devil harder. I am young in the work. I am holding singing schools here in the state of Alabama. I like to work with the good Church of God pastors here in Alabama. I have been doing something for the Lord since I came from Bible School. Friends, I'm glad for the Church of God Bible Training School in Sevierville, Tenn. There's where I became able to work for the Lord. Praise God. Pray for me, that wherever I go God will use me, and if any of you ministers would like a singing school, I will be glad to come. Or if you want a revival, write the state overseer of Alabama and he will get in touch with me. May the Lord bless you.

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the places where our churches are now located and designates them on the map. The story is beautifully told in word and picture. The booklet will be ready and on sale at the Assembly.

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redemption of our bodies) nearer than when we believed. The power of God is stronger than the power of the devil and God still lives to bless, preserve, and rapture His Church.

Home-Coming at Higden, Ark.

HIGDEN, Ark. — Again our annual home-coming has come and gone and our hearts are overflowing with the glory of the Lord that is joy unspeakable and full of glory. God blessed in a wonderful way. While the folk were preparing for the pageant, "A Search in Vain," Sister Lula Milum, a former leader, made a very interesting and inspiring talk. We are proud of our good people here at Higden.

Sunday morning God met with us again in a most glorious way. Brother Bill Johnson and sons of Benton, and Brother P. R. Heaton's son of West Helena, Ark., Brother Johnson, Sister Heaton and little daughter rendered several specials during the day, which were enjoyed. They, with Sister Fay Finney of Pangburn, Ark., playing the organ, made music for the song service. We enjoyed an old time testimony service led by Sister Milum. Sister W. M. Johnson delivered a wonderful message. Praise the Lord for the good people who have come over into Arkansas to help us. We had another testimony service, led by Sister Heaton, a play by the young people and a wonderful message by Brother Heaton. A mission offering of \$11.00 was given. We truly thank God for this glorious day.

We certainly enjoyed having Brother and Sister Heaton and family and Brother and Sister Johnson and family with us, also all the other visiting people, and invite them back again. We also thank God for our beloved and faithful pastor and wife, Brother and Sister Floyd L. Ramsey. Brother Ramsey is doing a fine work for God here at Higden. We feel we are gaining ground for God and the right and by your prayers and His help we will keep on the firing line. Pray for our revival we plan to begin soon.—Ruff Gentry.

State Convention Dates

West Virginia—July 11-14.
New Mexico—July 12-14.
Oklahoma—July 19-21.
Alabama—July 25-28.
Pennsylvania—July 25-28.
Mississippi—August 1-4.
Tennessee—August 1-4.
Minnesota—August 2-4.
Texas—August 5-11.
Georgia—August 15-18.
Missouri—August 22-25.
Maryland—August 15-25 (Camp meeting and convention).
Louisiana—August 29-September 1.
New England States—Aug. 30-Sept. 2.